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FEED RATIONS AND METHODS OF FEEDING GROWING RUMINANTS
ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:

The present invention relates to feed rations, processes for formulating feed rations, and methods for improving weight gain in growing ruminants. The feed rations comprise a forage or other feed ingredient that meets daily nutritional requirements, other than methionine, and exceeds daily maintenance energy requirements of a growing ruminant. The feed rations further comprise an $\alpha\text{-amino}$ acid supplement, wherein the $\alpha\text{-amino}$ acid supplement is an analog of an $\alpha\text{-amino}$ acid.